

PARKS, ARTS, RECREATION, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES (PARCS) ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday, May 3, 2022 Minutes

A meeting of the PARCS Advisory Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Tommy Brooks on the above date in the City of Upland's Carnegie Library.

1. CALL TO ORDER: 5:00 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Committee Chair Tommy Brooks, Committee Members Elizabeth

Alvarez, Ralph Cavallo, Sarah Lee, Lisa Nassar, and Natasha Walton

ABSENT: Committee Members Michelle Dazalla, Lisa Nicely, and Bryan Sanches

STAFF: Recreation Manager Jessica Gandara, Recreation Senior Administrative

Assistant Christina Jones

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Resident Suzanne Cable wanted to address concerns regarding a Press Release from Upland Foothill Little League which indicated that there is currently an intent to make changes to San Antonio Park mentioned by on April 24, 2022.

Resident and business owner, Christina Schulz also wanted to address concerns regarding intent to make changes to San Antonio Park mentioned by Foothill Little League on April 24, 2022, to install a T-Ball field of which she is opposed to.

Resident Masayuki Shudo stated concerns regarding the need for the expansion of the City Skate Park and suggested the current conditions of the Skate Park are not all-user friendly since there is not an area designated for beginners.

4. BUSINESS ITEMS:

4A – Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 1, 2022

Motion to approve PARCS Advisory Committee Minutes from March 1, 2022 – Committee Member Natasha Walton Second Motion – Committee Member Sarah Lee Vote – Passed 6-0, 3 Absent

5. OLD BUSINESS: N/A

6. NEW BUSINESS:

6A - Earth Day Event Recap

Earth Day Event committee members presented the Earth Day Event presentation which highlighted the purpose and goals of the event, which was held on April 24, 2022 at Greenbelt Park with intentions to provide the community with resources to achieve environmental sustainability, educate residents on composting and water preservation, and to build a partnership with community businesses and environmental experts.

6B - Summer Season Preview

Recreation Manager Jessica Gandara presented the Recreation & Community Services Division's summer season preview which consisted of the release of the Upland Today Summer 2022 edition which includes a catalog of summer activities and events that are now open for registration.

6C - Rescheduling of PARCS Advisory Committee Meeting currently set for July 5, 2022

Recreation Manager Jessica Gandara advised the PARCS Advisory Committee members that the next regularly scheduled PARCS Advisory Committee meeting set for Tuesday July 5, 2022 will need to be rescheduled to a later date due to conflicts of events regarding the planning and operations of the 4th of July Light Up the Night Celebration.

Motion to approve rescheduling the next PARCS Advisory Committee meeting to Tuesday, July 26, 2022 – Committee Member Lisa Nassar Second Motion – Committee Chair Tommy Brooks Vote – Passed, 6-0, 3 Absent

MANAGER COMMENTS: As previously requested by committee members of the Parks, Arts, Recreation, and Community Services Advisory Committee, Recreation Manager Jessica Gandara reported updates on the following items:

The Baldy View Dog Park will soon undergo in-house improvements that will consist of new play amenities and shade structures. Other projects such as the parking lot expansion will require more time to develop a master plan and additional funds.

Second District County Supervisor Janice Rutherford granted the City of Upland Recreation and Community Services Division \$585,000.00 for improvements which consists of the following projects to soon be underway:

- Two (2) shade structures at Magnolia Park, proposed contract will be presented to City Council on May 9, 2022 for consideration
- A new entertainment stage at Magnolia Park is scheduled to be installed and completed for the Summer Series: Moonlight Movies & Music at Magnolia Park
- New epoxy flooring to be installed at the restrooms of Greenbelt and Magnolia Park, construction is set to begin soon
- Magnolia Recreation Center will soon undergo the process of new exterior painting

Recreation Manager Jessica Gandara also provided an update on the National Fitness Court that was previously being planned to be installed at Memorial Park of which, unfortunately, can no longer take place due to the restrictions of the use of Quimby funds. However, four (4) shade structures will be installed at Citrus Park, Sierra Vista Park, and Greenbelt Park using Quimby funds.

Lastly, Recreation Manager Jessica Gandara reported that the City of Upland's IT department received additional funds to upgrade security such as installing cameras and keycard entry at the Landecena Family Community Center, the Gibson Senior Center, and the Magnolia Recreation Center.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS: Committee members expressed their concerns regarding changes to parks and walking paths that may take away from the rurality of the city.

ADJOURNMENT: Committee Chair Brooks adjourned the meeting at 6:19 P.M. The next special meeting of the PARCS Advisory Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, July 26, 2022.

Submitted By:

Jessica Gandara – Recreation Manager

Approved: September 6, 2022